village offices with Chairs. I have supplied as many village offices with chairs as there was allotment.

**Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—Will the Hon'ble Member answer whether the answers to sub-divisions (1) and (2) are not self-conflicting?

**Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.**—To my humble opinion, they are not contradictory. The first is with regard to the accommodation of records and the second with the accommodation of human beings.

## Government Potteries—manufactured stock—sale of.

144. **Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the total stock manufactured in the Government Potteries during the year 1111, the quantity sold during the year 1111 out of the said year's production and the balance in hand lying unsold;

(b) what are the arrangements made with regard to the sale of the manufactured goods; do the Government find such arrangements satisfactory;

(c) have the Government ever considered and compared the cost of production at the Government Potteries with those of the competitors;

(d) have the sales of Potteries been ever made outside the State; if so, to which all other territories; what is the total value of such sales made during the year 1111;

(e) have the Government kept a watch over the Foreign Potteries imported into the State?

**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—

| | | 1st class lbs. | 2nd class lbs. |
|---|---|---|---|
| (a) 1. | Stock made in 1111 (up to 1—11—1111) | 4,89,218 | 50,015 |
| 2. | Quantity sold in 1111 | 3,85,570 | 17,038 |
| 3. | Balance in hand, including previous year's balance | 4,17,341 | 1,02,334 |

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(b) Sales are done through District agents, appointed in different areas. The arrangement has been found to be fairly satisfactory. Recently however a Sales Superintendent has also been appointed to inspect the various areas, study the market conditions and canvass orders. This, it is hoped, will enable better results being secured.

(c) No. This is not possible as the list of manufacture, etc., of a competitive firm will not be made available for scrutiny.

(d) Yes. In Travancore, British Malabar, South Canara, Palghat, Coimbatore, Salem, Madura, Tinnevelly, Mayavaram, Karaikudi, Nilgiris, etc. The value of such sales in 1111 is Rs. 20,275—8—0.

(e) No statistics were taken.

## Diwan's stay at Coonoor.

**145. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the number of days the Diwan stayed in Coonoor this year;

(2) the object of his stay there; and

(3) the amount of T. A. drawn by him while there;

(4) the total amount of expenditure incurred by Government on this account;

(5) did he pay any house-rent to the Government; if so, how much?

**Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar.**—(1) 44.

(2) His stay at Coonoor for a period of two months is sanctioned by the covenant of his appointment.

(3) Rs. 528.

(4) Rs. 1,710—12—3.

(5) No. He is entitled to free quarters.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Does the amount of Rs. 1710/- include Rs. 528/- also?

**Mr. T. S. Narayana Ayyar.**—Yes.

**Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—What work has been done by the Diwan during his stay there which he could not have done at Headquarters?

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